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SUBJ: PRESS COMMENTS & EDITORIALS IN LIMA, PERU

1. TWO MORNING DAILIES, EXPRESO AND LA PRENSA, CARRIER FRONT PAGE EDITORIALS TODAY LINKING CIA WITH DISTRUBANCES.

2. LA PRENSA EDITORIAL LABELED YESTERDAY'S ACTIONS AS THE "ARRIVAL OF A 'CHILENAZO'". SAID THAT THOSE PERUVIANS WHO THOUGHT PREVIOUS TALK ABOUT CIA WAS JUST "A STORY TO SCARE KIDS" HAVE NOW SEEN FOR THEMSELVES "ACTS OF VANDALISM" CARRIED OUT BY THE CIA JOINTLY WITH "APRA ACTIVISTS AND REACTIONARIES". EDITORIAL SAYS "IT IS UNDERSTANDABLE THAT, IN THESE MOMENTS OF INTENSIFICATION OF THE PERUVIAN REVOLUTION, THOSE WHO HAVE SEEN THEIR PRIVILEGE IN THE INTERIOR OF THE COUNTRY TOPPLED OVER AND THE SINISTER FORCES OF IMPERIALISM AND ITS RIGHT ARM, THE CIA, HAVE DECIDED TO STRIKE AGAINST THE PEOPLE AND THE ARMED FORCES". LA PRENSA SAYS THE COORDINATION WITH EXTERNAL FORCES IS REVEALED BY ONE " SIGNIFICANT FACT: AT 6 P.M. ON FEBRUARY 4 A GROUP OF FOREIGN CORRRESPONDENTS WAS IN...LA VICTORIA WITH PHOTOGRAPHIC AND FILMING CAMERAS. THERE WAS NOT ONE SINGLE PERUVIAN NEWSMAN". EDITORIAL CLAIMS RIOTERS

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WERE TRAINED BY APRISTA YOUTHS, AND SAYS APRISTAS FROM

VILLARREAL UNIVERSITY INTITATED THE LOOTING AND "INCITED THE PEOPLE AGAINST THE REVOLUTION". IT ADDS, "THE RESENTMENT OF APRA, THE BRUTAL BLINDNESS OF THE REACTIONARIES, AND THE SICK COMPLICITY OF A SECTOR OF THE POLICE HAVE CARRIED THEM TO JOINING WITH THE ENEMIES OF PERU AND TO SERVING THE SHOCK TROOPS OF THE CIA". "AS FOR THE CIA ITSELF...THEY HAVE STAYED IN THE BACKGROUND GLEEFULLY LOOKING ON AS THESE MERCENARIES PUT ALL THEIR FORCE INTO DESTROYING A REVOLUTION THAT NEVER USED FORCE NOR KILLED ANYONE IN SIX YEARS OF RADICAL TRANSFORMATIONS IN BENEFIT OF THE PERUVIAN PEOPLES...". FINALLY THE EDITORIAL CALLS FOR A CLOSING OF RANKS AMONG THE "POPULAR ORGANIZATIONS...INCLUDING THE EXTREME LEFT WHICH UNTIL TODAY DOUBTED THE HUMANIST, SOCIALIST, AND REVOLUTIONARY NATURE OF THE NATIONAL PROCESS".

3. EXPRESO EDITORIAL SAID THE RIOTING WAS PREMEDITATED AND SYNCHRONIZED IN SUCH A WAY THAT IT REVEALED "THE CUSTOMARY DIRECTING OF THE AGENTS OF FOREIGN EXPIONAGE." "IN EFFECT", SAID EXPRESO, "CORRUPT POLITICIANS OF THE PAST GUIDED BY SALARIED AGENTS OF IMPERIALISM AND ELEMENTS INFILTRATED INTO CERTAIN INSTITUTIONS HAVE THIS TIME USED A SECTOR OF THE CIVIL POLICE...A GRAVE ATTEMPT AGAINST RHE FATHERLAND". EDITORIAL THEN REVIEWS A NUMBER OF YESTERDAY'S EVENTS INCLUDING THE REPELLED ASSULT AGAINST EXPRESO BY AN ALLEGED 700 RIOTERS. EDITORIAL, AFTER REFERRING TO EXPRESO NEWSMEN INJURED IN THE ATTACK, SAYS RIOTERS USED "ARTEFACTS OF FOREIGN MANUFACTURE". THOSE ALLEGEDLY BEHIND THE RIOTERS ARE CALLED TRAITORS WHO "OBEY ORDERS OF IPC, OF THE BIG LANDHOLDERS, OF CIA-TYPE ORGANIZATIONS...WHO DREAM OF WEAKENING OUR COUNTRY, UNDOING ITS GLORIOUS REVOLUTION, AND HANDING THE UNDAMAGED BODY OF THIS OUR FATHERLAND OVER TO THE AGRESSION FROM ABROAD". THE EDITORIAL CLOSES BY SAYING IT IS NECESSARY FOR ALL PERUVIANS TO BE WARNED OF THIS DANGER AND BY ADDING THE CAVEAT THAT "NOBODY THEN SHOULD BE SURPRISED BY THE MEASURES THAT THE PERUVIAN REVOLUTION MAY TAKE IN ITS DEFENSE..."

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